

## 2008–2009 4-H Market Livestock Contract

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- 2. Members are strongly encouraged to attend project specific Livestock Showmanship Seminars and Educational Seminars as offered each program year.
- 3. 4-H Market Livestock Project members must be enrolled in 4-H and in the Market project on or before Market animals are officially tagged at the county wide tag dates. Beef December 8<sup>th</sup>, Hogs April 27<sup>th</sup>, Sheep May 28<sup>th</sup>. Furthermore, Market Livestock Project members must enroll in and complete one additional 4-H project above and beyond a market animal.
- 4. The Youth Livestock Program Commitment to Excellence & Drug Withdrawal forms must be signed and turned in to the Flathead County Extension Office on or before Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. (Forms available in the Extension Office)
- 5. A 4-H Project & Financial Journal (on market animal) must be completed (to date) and checked off at the Flathead County Extension Office between July 13<sup>th</sup> and August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Members will complete records and project workbooks on all 4-H projects they are enrolled in and turn them in to club organizational leaders at the end of the 4-H club program year. September 30<sup>th</sup> October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- 6. Pre-registration forms are required by the Flathead County <u>Fair Office</u>. Members must fill out an animal registration form on or before August 3<sup>rd</sup> and turn it in the Fair Office (located on the Fairgrounds).
- 7. The <u>ear tag number</u> for the market animal the member will bring to the NWMT Fair <u>must be declared</u> on the Fair registration form on or before August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.
- 8. Project members are expected to clean and fit their own market animals for show and sale.
- 9. Project members are required to care for and feed their animals while being housed and shown at the NWMT Fair until 6:00 p.m. Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 10. Injured and or sick animals at the NWMT Fair will have a mandatory Vet Check. The Veterinarian will determine the animals' eligibility for show and or sale. The mandatory Vet check will be at the project members' expense.
- 11. On Monday August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Market animals will be weighed in at the Trade Center Building at the NWMT Fair. Lambs & \*Goats 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Hogs 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and Beef 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. All market animals must be weighed in at the above designated times. Additionally, market animals must physically be in the Trade Center (8/17/09) no later then: Lambs & Goats 8:00 a.m., Hogs 12:00 p.m. (noon), Beef 3:00 p.m. If a project member is unable to be present with their own animal, arrangements must be made for someone else to take your animal across the scale. (\*Goats are not sold at the Market Livestock Auction).

- 12. A sale fee must be paid to the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce on Monday August 17<sup>th</sup> 2009 at the sale fee table in the Trade Center before your Market animal can be officially weighed. Hog members must pay a fee of \$25.00. Lamb and Beef members will pay a fee of \$20.00.
- 13. On Monday August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009: <u>Lambs</u> must be a minimum weight of 110 pounds, maximum weight of 160 pounds. <u>Hogs</u> must be a minimum weight of 220 pounds, maximum weight of 285 pounds. <u>Beef</u> must be a minimum weight of 1,050 pounds, maximum weight of 1,450 pounds. Under or over weight animals are <u>ineligible for the Market Class</u> and may not be sold at the Market Livestock Auction on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. Under and over weight animals may be shown in the showmanship class at the Fair and will be taken home by the project member by 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- 14. Sheep, Hog and Beef project members must show their own animals in the Market Class and Showmanship Class in order to sell their animal at the Saturday Livestock Auction. Grand, Reserve, Purple, Blue and Red ribbons sell; white ribbons do not sell.
- 15. It is the duty of the project member to be present at the Market Livestock Sale on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> to sell their market animal in the ring.
- 16. Market Livestock buyers must be contacted and appointment made with your buyer as soon as possible following the sale. At that time the official sale picture and a thank you gift is presented to your buyer. The <a href="Thank You Documentation">Thank You Documentation</a> form must be signed by your buyer and returned to the Flathead County Extension Office by December 1<sup>st</sup> 2009.
- 17. All of the above criteria must be met in order to participate in the Flathead County 4-H Market Livestock Project. Re-enrollment in the Market Project will be determined by the completion of the members' prior 4-H year.

Any waiver or exception to the above criteria must be made in writing to the Flathead County Extension Office on or before August  $3^{rd}$ , 2009. As always family emergencies will be considered on a case by case basis individually after August  $3^{rd}$  by committee members.

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The Office Copy of the Livestock Contract must be turned into the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009.